

Bloomfield Record.

S. M. HULIN, Editor and Proprietor.

BLOOMFIELD, N. J., AUGUST 28, 1873.

The Gaslight Question.

There is in all parts of the township a wide-spread feeling of dissatisfaction with the proposed plan of lighting of our streets with gas. The objections take the form not so much of opposition to the improvement as of protest against the inequality of the taxation for maintaining and lighting the street lamps, though many people object to it as something which, it is maintained, they do not want and cannot afford to pay for. They think it is unjust that they should be compelled to pay for an improvement and luxury they do not desire to use.

Without entering into a discussion of all the grievances which naturally arise, let us look at the effects of the proposed system of "lighting up" upon a single taxpayer. For instance, Mr. A., residing in a part of the town distant, perhaps, half a mile from the gas mains, cannot have the gas introduced into his dwelling; cannot have his street lighted with it, and yet must needs pay roundly for the luxury as enjoyed by others. Probably he may own, besides his home plot, other property adjacent, eligible located and adapted for building sites, but it is rendered positively unsuitable by the introduction of gas in the more compact parts of the town. A party in search of a house or lot will naturally buy it in a street where gas is introduced rather than elsewhere, the gas or lamp tax being the same in either case. Hence it must be conclusive that under such circumstances, so far from being a benefit, it is rather an injury to property thus situated.

This illustration is submitted as one of the parallel of which can be found, not in isolated instances, but throughout the length and breadth of the township. We cannot therefore, but hope, in consideration of the universal and apparently well grounded opposition to this measure, that our Town Committee will proceed with due caution, and under proper legal opinion and advice, if they have not already done so, in carrying out the provisions of this act. No doubt can exist in any reasonable mind that the contemplated manner of lighting up and the consequent taxation of so many of our citizens for a commodity from which they receive little or no benefit is manifestly unjust and prejudicial to their interests.

Our Public Schools.—The Fall Term.

Many of our public school teachers who have taken advantage of the summer vacation next Monday the hitherto quiet surroundings of the Central School building will be enlivened by the convocation of teachers and pupils for the fall term.

It is predicted that the coming session will be an improvement upon any that have gone before. To the Primary Departments especially, we are informed, has the attention of the Board of Trustees been directed, feeling as they do that it is of the utmost importance that the youngest children have the rudiments of instruction—the foundation, as it were—carefully begun. In this lower department the services of several new teachers have been engaged.

With an active, experienced Board of Trustees, careful and efficient teachers, and the co-operation of the pupils and parents, there is no reason why the schools of Bloomfield should not occupy the front rank. We intend to arrive at distinction, much, we think, depends upon the scholars and their parents. Let those who send their children to school take a lively interest in educational matters by securing their punctual and regular attendance, by encouraging a spirit of diligence and perseverance, and the labors of the teachers and the conduct of the schools generally will be greatly enhanced.

The following is a list of Teachers in the Central Union School District:
J. HENRY ROOT, Principal.
E. S. STACKEPOOL, High School Classes.
Eliza B. Whipple,
Samantha Wheeler,
Edith E. Hulm,
Lizzie Stremmell,
Lizzie A. Blake,
Clara A. Eveland,
Mary E. Stow,
Fanny A. Pierson,
Fanny E. Ufford,
Hattie Fairbanks,
Laura Briggs,
Lizzie Mann,
Cora Smith.

Mrs. Augustus Corne, better known in this town, before her marriage, as Miss Lizzie Homan, died in Switzerland, in June last, of consumption. She was a teacher at Madame Cooke's Female Seminary, for a number of years, during Mr. Duffield's pastorate here, when the seminary was at the height of its prosperity. Her associate teachers and pupils will remember her pale sweet face, now cold and silent in death. Being in very poor health she left her pleasant home, in Morristown, a little more than a year ago, with her husband and family, to spend three years in Switzerland, with relatives residing there. It was thought their prolonged stay abroad might be the means of restoring her health, and possibly her life was lengthened, somewhat, by the change, but their hopes were not to be realized; death had chosen her as his victim, and she was called away at the close of the first year leaving two little daughters motherless.

The Record for 1874.

Elsewhere will be found the Prospectus of this paper for the second volume. It may to some appear somewhat premature to publish this at this time but we do it feeling that no harm can result from keeping before our readers the prospects and intentions of The Record for the future.

It is hardly necessary to repeat what has been before stated,—that the success of the paper has been assured, almost from the start. Even in the face of a resolute opposition, we have not found it necessary to resort to extraordinary efforts to secure support. Hence the voluntary patronage we have may reasonably be said to be of no unreliable, evanescent character, but comprising the names and encouragement of those who subscribe for the village paper because they want it, rather than because we want them to have it; making it, therefore, a welcome visitor at their homes.

No doubt, by a rigorous "canvassing from house to house," a vigorous trumpeting, occasionally in an egotistic way, with now and then an appeal for aid and support, a considerably larger subscription list than we now have could have been obtained. But we do not regret having adopted the quiet, unobtrusive course which seems to have resulted so satisfactorily. We issued the first number with only two hundred names, and now we have upwards of four hundred and fifty regular, bona fide subscribers, almost all of whom have paid in advance, and no doubt will do so for the coming year. This is not a startling exhibit of success, but it is highly gratifying to the publisher, who can assure any who may have been misled as to our prospects and intentions by the over-topping assertions of our competitor, that, notwithstanding the very dull times which have prevailed, the Bloomfield Record is now and will continue to be, in the future, we trust, a paying institution. We are abundantly satisfied in this respect. It is deemed expedient just now to make these statements in order that friends and enemies may know just where and how we stand.

We are averse to making promises or holding out great inducements for the future. We can safely say, however, that the various departments of The Record will be conducted as well as heretofore, and as much better as prolonged experience and increase of resource and income will warrant.

A Novel Attraction.

A distinguishing feature of the New Jersey State Fair, which is to open at Waverly Sept. 16th, will be the contest for the two prizes offered for Steam Fire Engines. While it will afford a gala day for the "fire ladders" it is deemed that the encouragement of the production of the best machines for extinguishing fires and protecting life and property, is the ulterior object of the society.

A platform for the competing engine, it is announced, will be constructed over an abundant supply of water, also a water tight tank 10 feet wide and 75 feet long, divided into compartments of various sizes. The engine throwing greatest quantity of water into this tank in a given time will be adjudged the best machine. Steam pressure is to be limited to 140 lbs, and the water in the boilers to be cold at the time of lighting the fires.

No entry fee is required, and competition is open to all, whether from this State or any other. Entry must be made in person or by letter to the Recording Secretary, Wm. M. Force, Esq., Newark, before 10 o'clock A. M., Tuesday, 16th September, stating name and class of engine, name of maker, weight of engine and dimensions of steam and water cylinders. Engines of the second-class must be present at the same hour on the following day, (18th.) The order of playing will be determined by lot each day before the trial.

Coal will be furnished without charge to such engines as cannot conveniently bring their own, but each engine is expected to come provided with light-wood for starting fire.

The Port-Jervis Gazette knows of at least one level-headed man in Ulster county. He has been collecting some small bills, and finds money just about as plenty as usual. He says if people wouldn't swallow this eternal palaver about "money being so tight," there wouldn't be half so much trouble. But when folks hear that money is scarce and hard to get, each one freezes to what he has got—puts it in old stockings and wallets and hides it away—and don't start it in circulation until the scarce works off.

The proceedings of the Military Commission in the case of the Modoc captives, whereby they were sentenced to be hanged, have been approved by the President and Secretary of War, and the sentence will be carried into effect at Fort Klamath, Oregon, on the 3rd of October, under the direction of the general commanding the department of Columbia.

A destructive fire broke out on Sunday night in the Boonton Iron works. A saw mill, cooper shop and several other buildings belonging to the works were destroyed. The loss is nearly \$300,000.

A new Presbyterian church of colored people has been organized at Orange, N. J., and steps have been taken by them toward putting up a building.

One hundred in the shade was the thermometer's record at Walla Walla, Oregon, recently, for seven consecutive days.

COMMUNICATIONS.

A Burglar Frustrated.

Wednesday night, the 20th inst., will be remembered as an unusually dark and rainy night, just such an one as courts "Nature's sweet restorer, balmy sleep." Shortly after nine o'clock a lady in Watessing took a lamp and proceeded to her apartment for the night. As she entered her chamber all looked cozy and comfortable, as she had left it just before evening, the windows up, but the slats of the blinds closely shut. She placed the lamp upon the mantel, and proceeded to the bureau, which stood between the windows, to unrobe for the night, when she heard a slight crackling noise upon the tin roof of the portico over the front door, which she thought did not sound just like rain-drops pattering upon the roof. She turned from the bureau a moment, and as she faced the window again noticed that one side of the slat of the blind had been turned a trifle. It seemed the would-be thief had a desire to take a peep "into my lady's chamber."

In an instant the thought flashed into her mind that there was some person on the roof. Without alarming any one she quietly turned and took the lamp in hand as if to place it upon the bureau, but instead, suddenly burst open the blind and thrust the lamp in hand out into the darkness, exclaiming:

"You villain! what are you doing there?"

Quick as thought, a man slipped from the roof to the ground and was over the fence before you could say "Jack Robinson."

This marauder had climbed upon the roof during the darkness of the evening to wait until the inmates should retire, and when sound asleep no doubt intended to enter by the upper hall window and rob the house. The lady only regrets that she did not deliberate for a moment, and instead of lighting him off so politely, made use of a weapon (always at hand for such an emergency) and sent him to the ground in a condition in which he could not have taken to his heels so briskly.

Noticing some remarks in your journal in relation to the Newark exhibition last year, I will jot down a few observations, having, for their tendency, the propriety of their throwing aside the exclusiveness adopted last year, and to admit, as it were, the suburbs of their city.

The county has constructed, at great expense, numerous avenues leading from these towns, all having their terminations in Newark. These avenues are so many arms, drawing in to their city the county trade and reducing, by splendid roads, much time and distance. These avenues so beneficial to Newark have cost the inhabitants a vast sum of money, effectually improving Newark's streets, giving their customers good facilities to reach their stores and manufacturers. Do they sell their goods any cheaper to us? Are we considered in any of their city benefits?

We regret to say that the policy adopted last year in their Fair or Exposition shuts us out from doing all the good we could at that exhibition, believing as we do that a generous competition enhances the value of any prize or award they may obtain. We do not say we will rival any one exhibitor. Our products may be small and few, yet we venture to say if the Newark City Fair gave each of the smaller towns a corner, they would not disgrace the display, but would have a tendency to draw out these towns and give a local interest to the Exposition.

OBSERVER.

LITERARY NOTES.

The September number of Wood's HOUSEHOLD MAGAZINE is on our table. We always have a good word to say to any publication—it is such a whole-souled book—wide awake lively and entertaining, yet always chaste and refined. We learn that the firm of S. S. Wood & Co. dissolved in March last, the "Co." (S. E. Shutes, Mayor of Newburgh, retaining possession of the magazine, and recalling H. V. Osborne (Tenoroon) as editor. So, though the publication really changed hands, it has not suffered from the management of a new publisher or editor, but under the redoubled efforts of its energetic proprietor, has gained new force and new attractiveness. Price only one dollar a year. Address Wood's HOUSEHOLD MAGAZINE Newburgh, N. Y.

We have received the September number of "THE NURSERY," a charming little monthly magazine for youngest readers. It is profusely illustrated and contains instructive stories in clear, large print, which can either be read by the little ones themselves or by an older sister or brother. John L. Shorey, Publisher, 36 Bromfield St., Boston, Mass. Subscription \$1.50 a year. Single numbers mailed for 15 cents.

A lady in town has in possession, in good state of preservation, three very old and rare books, viz: In Latin, "History of the First Twelve Roman Emperors," by Sueton, published in 1645, and "M. Fabius Quintilianus Orations," published in 1543. In French, "Essay of the Marvels of Nature, and the Nobler Arts," by Rene Francis, (Preacher of the King) published in 1622. The last named book is considered a very interesting work, and perhaps the only one of its kind in existence at the present time.

A balloon that ascended from Philadelphia on Monday came down in Randolph Township, Burlington County, N. J., seven miles east of Egg Harbor, having traveled fifty-two miles in fifty minutes.

At the public auction sale of Soranton coal yesterday, the prices advanced 12 cents per ton.

ABOUT TOWN.

The Watessing Land Co.'s choice lots on Lake Street are going off with a rush.

The fare on the Horse Car line has been increased to 13 cents from Bloomfield to Newark.

Cashier Hedden, of the First National Bank of Newark, is spending a few days at Saratoga.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Turner, of the West End, have gone to Martha's Vineyard for a week's rest and recreation.

The machine works of Messrs. A. N. Baldwin & Son have been completed and the machinery is now being put in position.

The engine of the 1.40 P. M. train from Montclair ran off the track at that place yesterday. Cause—misplaced switch. Delay—30 minutes.

County Clerk J. Banks Reford returned from his Western trip on Tuesday, looking hale and hearty. He escaped the August storm we experienced here, and reports that the crops throughout the west are looking finely.

It is contemplated by the Watessing Land Co. to erect, at once, eleven brick buildings, for stores and dwellings, upon Bloomfield Avenue. Other improvements are to follow upon other portions of this property.

The attendance at the Old Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning and evening was unusually large, much interest being manifested in the preaching of Dr. Campbell. His discourse on Sunday evening was very interesting.

A temporary depot has been erected at Chestnut Hill Station on the Midland Railroad. Although more useful than ornamental, it will be gratefully appreciated by the patrons of the road at this station. No doubt there will be a first class depot there in due time.

Mr. C. R. H. Bructt is disposing of his stock of groceries, etc., in his store on Bloomfield avenue at greatly reduced prices. Any parties who may be indebted to him are requested to make settlement as soon as possible, as he is desirous to close up his business during the coming week.

The grading in the Morris Neighborhood is going rapidly forward, and when completed will be a great improvement. The abrupt hill in front of Mr. Albert Morris's residence is to be cut down several feet, and Morris Place in front of Mr. A. T. Morris's will be raised up and widened to 66 feet.

On Tuesday evening a Bloomfield lady, when alighting from the train which arrives at 9.06 P. M., discovered that her pocket-book, containing \$10.00, was missing. She was much distressed, and upon its return, Conductor Smith kindly consented to delay the train, and upon making a search, found the missing pocket book in the seat which had been vacated by the lady. Honest passengers, conductors and brakemen, those who travel on that train!

The Montgomery Smelting Works, we are informed, shipped to New York yesterday, by the Del., Lack. & West'n R. R., thirty-seven tons of pig lead, being the largest shipment yet made at one time. The works are doing a very flourishing business. The crude ore, having been mined in Utah, is received directly from Chicago, via the Erie Railway, refined at the Montgomery Works, the gold and silver separated and sent thence to the assay office in New York.

A Clay county, Kentucky, auctioneer pulled out a revolver and announced: "If any man goes frolicking around while the sale is going on, I shall interrupt him in his career. Put them shot-guns over by the fence and leave 'em there."

An aeronaut made an ascension from San Francisco on Sunday, and coming down in the bay, jumped forty feet from the basket, and swam to Long Bridge. He was slightly injured.

James W. Broderick was killed in a family quarrel by his father, Michael Broderick, at No. 81 Carmine street, New York, on Friday last.

The United Signal Office has an interesting report of a meteorological shower at Colorado Territory, on the 13th of August last. Fifty-eight meteors in all were observed.

New Advertisements.

Mr. F. J. Lawrence, Piano Tuner, of Orange, in the name of the people of Bloomfield, has prepared to furnish first-class orchestra music for all occasions, assisted by the best musicians from New York. Music furnished from the piano to all numbers. Orders sent to the Central Hotel, Orange, will receive prompt attention. Address "Lawrence's Orchestra."

THE 15TH ANNUAL FAIR OF THE NEW JERSEY State Agricultural Society will be held at Waverly, near Newark, commencing September 16th 1873, and continuing four days. 1,000 PREMIUMS ARE OFFERED.

No entry fees charged in any department, excepting that of horses, which will pay ten per cent. of premium offered.

P. T. QUINN, Cor. Sec'y,
WM. M. FORCE, Rec. Sec'y.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.

THE undersigned will offer for sale at PUBLIC VENDUE, on the premises at MONTCLAIR, N. J., the REAL ESTATE belonging to the estate of THOMAS MADISON deceased, on THURSDAY, the 11th day of September next, at 3 o'clock P. M., consisting of a tract 224 feet and 6 inches fronting on Grove street, and 325 feet on the Old Road, and near the depot. On which is a comfortable dwelling house of recent construction, containing ten good sized rooms and in good condition.

This property, lying as it does so near the Railroad Depot, is especially adapted as a business site. For parties wishing to invest their money to good advantage, this is an excellent opportunity, and they would do well to be present at the sale. Terms easy, and made known on the day of sale. Administrator.

Montclair, N. J., Aug. 16, 1873.

FROM AUCTION! A LARGE LOT OF SHOES

AT THESE PRICES:

Ladies' Lasting Button Shoes, only	\$1 75
do. French Kid Button Shoes, only	2 25
A Fine French Kid Button Shoe, only	3 00
Boys' Congress Gaiters, 1 to 5;	1 00
do. Low Fancy Shoes	1 25
Ladies' Slippers	1 00
Children's Pearl Button Shoes 6 to 10	2 40
Misses' do do 11 to 12	3 00
Men's Hand Sewed Oxford Ties	3 50
do do Calf Gaiters	2 00
Ladies' Glazed Morocco Polish Boots	2 00

The above is only a part of a Large Lot of Goods bought at the recent Bankrupt Sale in New York.

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157 MARKET STREET, First Shoe Store Above Broad St. Newark

The Cheapest and Best Shoe Store in the State.

BUY YOUR

BOOTS AND SHOES

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Old Family Shoe Store,

825 Broad Street,

NEWARK, N. J.

Undersold by no House in the State!

Ladies', Misses' and Children's Fine Shoes, See Different Ways to Wash Skin.

Gentlemen's Shoes all styles and prices at the

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FINE SHOES,

"six widths to the size" which are acknowledged by those who have tried them to be

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Fresh and reliable in all forms.

CASES, BOOKS for family treatment, etc., are to be had at the

HOMEOPATHIC PHARMACY,

765 Broad near Bank St., Newark.

NEW DRUG STORE.

Attention is respectfully called to the Drug Store on Broad St., opposite the Post Office, which has been fitted up with a select stock of

Pure Drugs and Medicines,

Perfumery, Soaps, Fancy Articles,

Combs, Brushes, Hair Oils, &c., &c.

Also, a good assortment of

PATENT MEDICINES.

We guarantee that all

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used in our store shall be of the purest quality and dispensed on the most scientific principles.

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Geo. H. Davis.

GUARDIAN'S SALE.

IN CHANCERY OF NEW JERSEY.

In the Matter of the Petition of Robert M. Henning, Guardian of Alfred F. De Lue, a Lunatic, for the Sale of Real Estate. An Order for Sale.

The sale of property in the above stated matter stands adjourned until Thursday, the 11th day of September next at two o'clock P. M., at the same place, at the same house on the premises on the South East corner of Mountain Avenue and Union Street in Montclair, Essex County, N. J.

Dated Aug. 17th A. D. 1873. ROBERT M. HENNING, Guardian.

FREDK D. SKINNER

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